

ABBOTT'S GOD IS GOD OF REASON, SAYS COLLYER

Noted Unitarian Pastor Welcomes Former's Declaration as that of a Great, Broad and Liberal Thinker.

SCIENCE AND RELIGION
SHOULD BE SISTERS.

In Sermon Dr. Abbott Says Man
Is a Development, Not a Creation—God an Ever-Present Energy, Not an Absentee.

The Rev. Lyman Abbott's fresh departure from strict orthodoxy in his remarkable sermon to the Harvard students at Cambridge yesterday, in which he pictured a new and ever-present God, has already stirred up as much if not more comment in both religious and lay circles as his so-called heretic utterances on the subject of Jonah and the whale made years ago from the pulpit of Plymouth Church, in which he succeeded Henry Ward Beecher.

By his reputation of an absentee God in favor of an ever-present God who is the mainspring of all our energies, Dr. Abbott makes a distinct turn in the direction of Unitarianism, and it is not surprising to-day to find some of the best known ministers of that faith rallying to his support at a time when the heresy of his utterances might be expected to bring down a storm of protest from the opponents of advanced religious thought.

That venerable and distinguished minister, the Rev. Robert Collyer, of the Church of the Messiah, as long-serving a minister as Dr. Abbott himself, was in ecstasies to-day over the speech at Cambridge. He was reading Dr. Abbott's speech in his office, at No. 140 Broadway, when an Evening World reporter saw him. Dr. Collyer made this statement:

Great Thinker, Says Collyer.
"I'm glad he said it. Whatever Lyman Abbott said I believe to be true, although in what I have read of that sermon there seem to be some inconsequential cases of misquoting. Dr. Abbott is a great, liberal thinker, broad, sweet and good. He is not orthodox in the strict sense of the word, but this seems to be a clear expression of what has been in his mind for years."

"It is an interpretation of the heart and the head. We cannot interpret these great things with the head alone."

DR. LYMAN ABBOTT, WHO SAYS HE WILL BE CALLED HERETIC



The heart must figure permanently in the evolution of our ideas and beliefs. I am glad he said it to those young men. Science has been a great help toward the conception, for as Pope says, the first cause is the least understood.

"Long ago science was spoken of as the handmaid of religion. In reality it is the younger sister and the two must go hand in hand. Religion must not hold out two fingers to science, but must make the welcome thorough. Once in a while ministers come out flat-footed, and it certainly is very refreshing. The outlook is growing brighter and brighter for the great, good, grand fatherhood of God. It isn't hard to believe in God if you don't try to define him, as said by Goethe. He spoke truly. The true way to find God is in the daisies, the birds, the rocks, the trees, in all nature."

"His presence is everywhere. That is the safe standing ground. Sometimes I feel impelled to say: 'Our Father, who art in Heaven, on the earth and in hell, everywhere, Our Father.'"

"I think people have been gradually getting prepared for what has now come from Dr. Abbott. He is such a broad and generous man. Remember St. Paul said: 'In Him, the eternal, we live and move and have our being.'"

Blunder, Says Parkhurst.
The Rev. Dr. Parkhurst had this to say of Dr. Abbott's sermon:

"Of course, I don't care to criticize the efforts of Dr. Abbott until I get a thorough report. You cannot tell until you have the exact content just what was meant, but there was one thing in the papers I noticed, and that was that Dr. Abbott placed evolution before creation."

"It is stupid to speak of evolution as the principal force underlying the manifestation of nature. There must have been something from which to unfold—something that made evolution possible."

"I think that Dr. Abbott is guilty of a great blunder if the statements reported came from his lips. Presbyterian theology also takes a view of the immanence of God."

"The old conception was different, but the new idea looks upon God in His immanence much in the same way as described by Dr. Abbott."

Dr. Abbott's sermon.

Dr. Abbott's exact words in the explanation of his new religion have been telegraphed to every part of the world. They are a plain, simple exposition of his faith.

"I wonder," he said, "if you students in Harvard will understand me when I say that I no longer believe in a great first cause. To-morrow the newspapers will get hold of this and brand me as a heretic. My God is a great and ever-present force, which is manifest in all the activities of man and all the workings of nature."

"I believe in a God who is in and through and of everything—not an absentee God, whom we have to reach through a Bible or a priest or some other outside aid, but a God who is closer to us than hands or feet. Science, literature and history tell us that there is one eternal energy, that the Bible no longer can be accepted as ultimate, that many of its laws were copied from other religions, that the Ten Commandments did not spring spontaneously from Moses, but were, like all laws, a gradual growth, and that man is a creature of evolution not a creation."

One God, One Energy.
"No thinking man will say there are many energies. The days of polytheism are past. There is only one energy. That energy has always been working. It is an intelligent energy. No scientist can deny it. It was working before Christ's time, even as it is now. For three years the clouds broke and the light flashed through. Then they closed again."

"Yet God has a personality. We recognize it as we recognize the personality of a Titan or an Angelo. Only God is always working, always creating, whereas their work is done God stands near us. The mother of a deaf, dumb and blind child gives her daughter one of these gifts without being recognized. Finally these breaks through the child's intelligence the fact that these gifts, so kind, so loving, spring from the same source. It feels the mother's hands and face, then throws its arms around her neck and kisses her. Even so, ever in the presence of God, come to realize His proximity and love. God makes for good, man's progress is a progress upward, each day is better than the first."

ASKS \$100,000 FOR A JILTING.

Minnie Spring Says Dreeben Trifled with Her Young Affections.

Minnie Spring, nineteen years old, through her mother, Lena Spring, of No. 106 Bedford street, as guardian, has begun suit in the Supreme Court against

Mayer Dreeben for \$100,000 damages for breach of promise of marriage.

Dreeben is twenty-five years old, and is connected with a Broadway lace importing house. His income is said to be more than \$5,000 a year. In her complaint, as prepared by her attorney, George Robinson, of 30 Nassau street, Miss Spring says she met Dreeben last March. He frequently took her to dinners and theaters and finally proposed marriage. She accepted him. Afterward she became ill, and she says Dreeben took her to a prominent Madison avenue physician and paid all the bills, subsequently declining to marry.

Dreeben has until Dec. 26 to make answer.

ZELLER PITIES A SORRY CITY HORSE.

Orders One of the Wretched Street-Cleaning Animals to Be Unhitched in the Street.

Justice Zeller, of the Court of Special Sessions, left his home, at One Hundred and Twenty-eighth street and Madison avenue, to-day to go to his court downtown. He had reached One Hundred and Twenty-sixth street when he saw a horse trying to pull one of the Street-Cleaning Department trucks. The animal appeared to be lame and could not budge the truck. The Justice watched the efforts made to make the horse pull the truck for a few moments and then ordered the driver to unhitch the animal and take him to the stable.

"Well, Judge," replied the driver, after he had learned who it was that had addressed him, "if I don't take out the horse they gave me I will lose my job."

"You take that animal to the stable," ordered the Justice, "and if you lose your job you come to me."

The driver was unhitching his horse when the foreman of that section came up. The driver told the foreman what he had been ordered to do, and after Justice Zeller had repeated his commands the horse was unhitched and taken to the stable. Justice Zeller took the names of the foreman and driver and said he would communicate with the head of the Street-Cleaning Department. Last summer Justice Zeller had the driver of a horse with shoulder sore arrested and later had him fined \$10 by Magistrate Baker, in the Harlem Court.

MONTCLAIR HAS HOCKEY CLUB.

A new hockey organization that will represent the Orange Mountain section on the ice this winter is the Montclair Hockey Club. Those who will play on the team are: Malcolm Force, Collis Young, Ray Connolly and Arthur Wilson, forward; Elton Pearce, cover point; William Norstrand, point, and William Bonnell, goal. The team is practicing at Crystal Lake.

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